

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Takeshi MAKIYAMA et al. Conf.: Unassigned
Appl. No.: NEW -Divisional of U.S. Group: Unassigned
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For: DECODING APPARATUS USING TOOL INFORMATION
FOR CONSTRUCTING A DECODING ALGORITHM (AS
AMENDED)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 8, 2003

Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This amendment includes Amendments to the Specification; Amendments to the Drawings; Remarks; and one (1) page of corrected formal drawings.